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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the establishment of an asset, income, and
2 identity verification system for certain public assistance
3 programs, and including effective date provisions.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. ASSET, INCOME, AND IDENTITY VERIFICATION SYSTEM
2 — PUBLIC ASSISTANCE. The department of human services shall
3 issue a request for proposals to contract with a third-party
4 vendor to establish an electronic asset, income, and identity
5 eligibility verification system for the purposes of initial
6 eligibility and redetermination of eligibility of an individual
7 who is an applicant for or recipient of benefits under the
8 medical assistance program other than an individual who is
9 aged, blind, or disabled, the family investment program, or the
10 food assistance program. The third-party vendor selected shall
11 be able to demonstrate in writing its current relationships
12 or contracts with financial institutions in the state and
13 nationally. Participation by financial institutions in
14 providing account balances for asset verification shall remain
15 voluntary. The department shall utilize existing information
16 technology resources of state and local government, where
17 practicable.

18 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This Act, being deemed of
19 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

20	EXPLANATION
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21 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
22 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

23 The bill directs the department of human services to issue a
24 request for proposals to contract with a third-party vendor to
25 establish an electronic asset, income, and identity eligibility
26 verification system for the purposes of initial eligibility
27 and redetermination of eligibility of an individual who is
28 an applicant for or recipient of benefits under the medical
29 assistance program other than an individual who is aged,
30 blind, or disabled, the family investment program, or the food
31 assistance program. The bill also directs the department to
32 utilize existing information technology resources of state and
33 local government, where practicable.

34 The bill takes effect upon enactment.